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## Mexico

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## Mexican Territory Declared Free of Salmonella

pullorum

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### **Report Highlights:**

On May 17, 2002 the Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food published in the "Diario Oficial" (Federal Register) an announcement declaring the Mexican territory as free of *Salmonella pullorum*. This declaration does not imply an international recognition.

**Introduction:** This report summarizes an announcement published in Mexico's "*Diario Oficial*" (Federal Register) on May 17, 2002.

**Disclaimer:** This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

**FAS/Mexico's Executive Summary:** The Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food (SAGARPA) published an announcement on May 17, 2002, in the *Diario Oficial* (Federal Register) declaring the Mexican territory as free of *Salmonella pullorum*, one of the agents causing the Avian Salmonellosis disease in poultry. SAGARPA confirms that since an effective epidemiological surveillance and control activities were undertaken, no bacteriological evidence of *Salmonella pullorum* has been found since 1989, evidencing the absence of it in the country. Mexico established a National Campaign against Avian Salmonellosis in 1980, which is currently being implemented through NOM-005-ZOO-1993. The Government of Mexico's declaration of this disease-free status does not mean that this status has been recognized internationally.

This declaration is just one step towards towards ridding the country of Avian Salmonellosis, which, if recognized internationally and/or by individual countries, would eliminate one health concern in exporting Mexican poultry.

**Title:** Announcement declaring the Mexican territory free of Avian Salmonellosis caused by *Salmonella pullorum*.

**Type of Regulation:** Final

**Important Dates** 

Publication Date: May 17, 2002
 Effective Date: May 18, 2002

**Products Affected:** Poultry and poultry products

**Agency in Charge:** Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food

**Additional Information:** NOM-005-ZOO-1993 establishes the procedures and criteria to prevent control and erradicate Avian Salmonellosis in all Mexican territory. The campaign is aimed at erradicating two agents that cause salmonellosis: *Salmonella pullorum* and *Salmonella gallinarum*. Part of the procedures was to control the transportation of all poultry and poultry products within the country and have and adequate system of epidemiological surveillance. Having found no evidence of *Salmonella pullorum* following this NOM's procedures, SAGARPA has declared the territory free of this one agent. However, since the other agent,

*Salmonella gallinarum*, is still present, NOM-005 will continue to be in effect. The requirements to export poultry and poultry products to Mexico also continue to be the same.

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